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HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

Monday, May 11, 2015

Minutes of the Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Sue Stack, Chairman at 6:04 P.M.

PRESENT: Yale Cantor, Sue Stack, Susanne Hannigan, Richard Petrucci, Hocine Baouche, Helen Filloramo, Teresa Cavanagh, Jamie Foster

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motioned (S. Hannigan), Seconded (R. Petrucci) and passed by those present to accept the minutes of the March 9, 2015 meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: The Deliverable Fuel program ended in March – approximately 200 applications were taken. We are now taking applications for the Renters Rebate program.

The Youth Services Department has hired Tressa Giordano as a Youth Services Coordinator. She has stepped comfortably into the role and has already successfully completed a flyer for the department. Rise Above has been using the Senior Center to hold their monthly meetings.

The Human Services director attended a Fair Housing workshop and the first-ever statewide Conference on Hoarding.

The budget will be presented tomorrow (May 12) at the town meeting.

The Recreation Department and Youth Services have joined efforts with Arts from the Heart to present a musical this summer featuring local adults and children.

Public Works is finishing the additional parking spaces at the Senior Center, the anticipated completion date is June, weather permitting. The Senior Center is looking into installing handrails in the facility. Preparations for the Health Fair being held in the fall are coming along, and decisions are being made as to which medical screenings will be offered. One of the centers custodians has resigned and interviews are scheduled for May 22. The center has connected with the Community Renewal Team (CRT) to

establish a meal program. CRT would head the meals two days a week and volunteers would fill in the other days. Jaime took a few minutes to explain to the group her efforts and ideas on how to bring increase senior participation in the meal program. Some of these thoughts include fun and exciting meal names, using the MyPlate guidelines, and having students from UConn do fieldwork at the center.

The MACC shelter in Manchester will be closing due to new state regulations that they will not be abiding by and the TriTown shelter may be doing the same.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: The June Human Services Commission meeting will be the last one until September.

ADJOURNMENT: Motioned (S. Hannigan), Seconded (Y. Cantor) and passed by all those present to adjourn at 6:59 P.M.

Submitted by,

Teresa Cavanagh
Secretary